

Washington, Oct. 1.—Fair, frost to-night in exposed places; Wednesday, fair and warmer.

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# Turkey Seeks Armistice of the Allies; Peace Riots in Berlin; Allies Sweeping on in Belgium; Germans Set Fire to Cambrai

## SCHOOL CLOSES WHEN NINE NUNS FALL ILL OF GRIP

Nearly Half of Immaculate Conception Staff Suffer. Two in Hospital

## 5000 MASKS ORDERED

Red Cross Accepts Government Order to Help Check Disease—Arsenal Hit

## Get Plenty of Sunshine, Says State Health Head

"Take down your summer awnings. Let the sunshine in."

This is the advice given today by Dr. E. F. Royer, State Health Commissioner, to check the spread of Spanish influenza.

"Avoid crowded places, entertainment and churches where there are crowds and stay in the open air," he advises.

"Sunshine is what is needed to keep in good trim."

of the Immaculate Conception, Chestnut and Sullivan street, Germantown, was closed today because of the outbreak of Spanish influenza among the sisters of the teaching staff.

Nine of the twenty sisters are ill, and two were taken to St. Mary's Hospital, Immaculate Conception School has 160 pupils.

The sisters who are in the hospital are Sister Clara and Sister Mary Richard.

Five thousand influenza masks will be made in Philadelphia Red Cross members in answer to a call today from the Government.

The Navy Auxiliary has taken the material and has promised to make 1000 masks immediately for immediate distribution at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

The masks are made of gauze and are worn by agents to prevent spread of the disease.

Miss Anna Sprout, 42, a soloist, died yesterday from Spanish influenza. She was well known in musical circles and was a member of the Philadelphia soldiers. For many years she was soloist in St. Paul's Memorial Church, of Overbrook, and later in the West Walnut Street Presbyterian Church. Miss Sprout first came into prominence when she made a tour with the Philadelphia Orchestra under the late Fritz Scheel. On a number of occasions she sang at the famous Bach Festivals in Bethlehem. G. J. J. Sironi, George E. Sprout, one of the commissioners of navigation, and Thomas Sprout are her brothers. The funeral services will be held Thursday morning.

### Arsenal Hard Hit

Frankford Arsenal has been hit hard by the Spanish influenza epidemic. Although the armistice authorities refuse to give an estimate, it is believed that there are about 300 cases among the 2500 workers employed.

Three hundred students at Girard College have been ill, but it is doubtful if all of them have Spanish influenza. Many are suffering from severe colds and to check further spread of the disease they have been isolated.

Edward F. Dennis, Jr., twenty-four years old, died today at Wissahickon Barracks, a victim of influenza.

Private First Class Alfred S. Private Frederick J. Frank, 21, of 10th Smedley street, died today at Camp Dix.

Eighteen new cases of the disease have been admitted to the Women's Homeopathic Hospital. In the last twelve hours, one patient has died. Mrs. Josephine L. Smith had thirty new cases and two deaths to the day before yesterday. Lancaster County has a large number of influenza patients.

**Gloucester Closes Theatres**

In effort to check the influenza plague among shipworkers in Gloucester and vicinity the Gloucester City Board of Health has ordered the closing of all churches, moving picture theatres, lode rooms, schools and public schools and other public gathering places.

An emergency hospital was opened today by the Pusey & Jones Shipbuilding Company at the old Thompson hotel at the river front. The place has been equipped with several hundred cots, the necessary medical stores and a staff of physicians and nurses who are caring for the employees of the company not living in this section of the country.

At present the "flu" cases number 250 according to the report made at a meeting of the Board of Health.

Two physicians, one physician and medical inspector was taken with the malady yesterday and was unable to be present at the meeting. He is the third physician in Gloucester taken ill with influenza. Three teachers in the public schools and Superintendent of Schools W. H. Burd are victims of the malady. The latter has returned to his home along with his wife and son, they also having influenza.

Most of the Gloucester County officials at Woodbury are reported as having contracted the "flu," including Judge Frank Davis and Sheriff Daniel Henshaw.

### Clubhouse as Hospital

The old Lenni mansion at Bridgeport, which recently served as a temporary hospital to take care of the overflow from the Frankford Arsenal hospital, which is crowded. There are about twenty rooms in the Lenni mansion.

Not only civilian employees are affected. There are several cases among soldiers assigned to the hospital.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning for Miss Gertrude Tollett, an employee of the arsenal, who died Friday after only a few days' illness.

Only a few of the Girard College students have pneumonia complications.

## ALLOT MILLION FOR EXTENSIONS AT ARSENAL HERE

Work on Vast Improvements Soon to Start at Frankford Plant

Work will start soon at Frankford Arsenal on improvements and extension that will cost \$1,000,000.

Announcement of the approval of the expenditure of this sum was made today by the War Department in Washington.

Almost half the money made necessary the rapid growth of the plant in the last eight or nine months. All plans for building have not been completed.

The remaining amount will be used for the construction of heating mains to supply new buildings erected in the last six months. The power house, pumping tower, eighty feet square, is warmed and about \$125,000 will be spent on roads and grounds in the grounds.

A second house will be built at the former home of the arsenal, the house the department will be built at a cost of \$160,000. More than 200 guards must be housed. There will also be separate quarters for officers and noncommissioned officers of the army.

### Baldwin's Get Big Order

Will Build 500 Locomotives for Service in France

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